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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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PATRICK OGAWA  
ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

February 02, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AWARD OF VARIOUS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS  
IN THE CITIES OF GARDENA, HAWTHORNE, LOMITA, LOS ANGELES,  
ROLLING HILLS ESTATES, AND TORRANCE AND IN THE  
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF ALTADENA, EL CAMINO VILLAGE,  
ROWLAND HEIGHTS, AND WEST CARSON  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 2, 4, AND 5)  
(3 VOTES)**

### SUBJECT

This action is to award construction contracts and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute various construction contracts for work in the Cities of Gardena, Hawthorne, Lomita, Los Angeles, Rolling Hills Estates, and Torrance and in the unincorporated communities of Altadena, El Camino Village, Rowland Heights, and West Carson.

### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Award and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute various construction contracts and establish the effective dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance certificates filed by the contractors for the following:

- Project ID No. RDC0015891 – Pathfinder Road from Fullerton Road to 1,300 Feet East of Fullerton Road, for reconstruction of road pavement using asphalt concrete and asphalt rubber hot mix on cement stabilized pulverized base material, reconstruction of curb and gutter, sidewalk, and driveways; modification of traffic signals; and installation of striping and pavement markings, in the unincorporated community of Rowland Heights, to Sequel Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$372,069.75;

- Project ID No. SMDACO0142 – Sewer Rehabilitation Project No. 13, for cleaning, video inspection, and lining of approximately 19,473 linear feet of existing sanitary sewers, in the unincorporated community of Altadena, to Nu-Line Technologies, LLC, in the amount of \$476,649;
- Project ID No. TSM0010189 – Crenshaw Boulevard from Rosecrans Avenue to Crestridge Road, for modification and synchronization of traffic signals, in the Cities of Gardena, Hawthorne, Lomita, Rolling Hills Estates, and Torrance and in the unincorporated community of El Camino Village, to Elecnor Belco Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$1,317,835; and
- Project ID No. TSM0010328 – Lomita Boulevard at Vermont Avenue, et al., for modification of traffic signals; construction of asphalt concrete pavement and Portland cement concrete pavement on base material, and installation of striping and pavement markings, in the City of Los Angeles and in the unincorporated community of West Carson, to California Professional Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$373,057.

2. Delegate to the Director of Public Works or her designee the following authority in connection with these contracts: (1) approve and execute change orders within the same monetary limits delegated to the Director of Public Works under Section 2.18.050 of the Los Angeles County Code relative to the construction of County buildings, (2) accept the project upon its final completion, and (3) release retention money withheld consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code Sections 7107 and 9203.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval of the projects from the Board to award these construction contracts, authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute the construction contracts, and establish the effective contract dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Materials Bonds and insurance certificates filed by the contractors for these projects.

The enclosures include the agenda dates and Item Nos. when the Board approved the projects, adopted the plans and specifications, called for bids to be received, and instructed the Acting Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise the projects.

The project descriptions, call for bids and bid opening dates, tabulation of bids, and financial information are included in the enclosures for each respective project. The certified record of receipt of bids, and the original bid proposals for each project are also enclosed.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). Awarding these construction contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected Cities and communities.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

This action will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The enclosure for each project includes the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate, the other bids received, and more detailed fiscal and financial information.

Sufficient funds for Project ID No. RDC0015891 are included in the Fourth Supervisorial District's Transportation Improvement Program in the Measure R Local Return Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.

Sufficient funds for Project ID No. SMDACO0142 are included in the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.

Sufficient funds for Project ID Nos. TSM0010189 and TSM0010328 are included in the Proposition C Local Return Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The contract agreements will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel. The recommended contracts were solicited on an open-competitive basis and are in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The contractors are in compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and the Board's requirements.

The award of these contracts will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. These contracts contain terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County of Los Angeles' Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; Local Business Enterprise Preference Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.204; and the standard Board directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure contracts are awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by each respective contractor was considered before making this recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for these projects and are on file with the Department of Public Works.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

Each of these projects was found to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act at the time the Board called for bids.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The contracts were solicited on an open-competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the State Public Contract Code.

To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, these projects were listed on both the County's "Doing Business with Us" and Public Works' "Contract Opportunities" websites for upcoming bids. Public Works also coordinated with the Office of Small Business to maximize outreach.

Public Works will review and approve the Faithful Performance and payment bonds filed by the contractors.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

These construction contracts will result in improved public works infrastructure in the Cities and communities where the work is performed.

**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rochelle Goff)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office  
Internal Services Department (Countywide  
Contract Compliance)

AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT  
February 2, 2016

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015891 – Pathfinder Road from Fullerton Road to 1,300 Feet East of Fullerton Road (in the unincorporated community of Rowland Heights), Supervisorial District 4.

TYPE OF WORK: Reconstruction of road pavement using asphalt concrete and asphalt rubber hot mix on cement stabilized pulverized base material, curb and gutter, sidewalk, and driveways; modification of traffic signals; installation of striping and pavement markings; and the performance of other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: October 20, 2015 (Agenda Item 24)

BID OPENING DATE: November 17, 2015

BID SUMMARY:

|     |  |              |
|-----|--|--------------|
| Low | Sequel Contractors, Inc.<br>13546 Imperial Highway<br>Santa Fe Springs, California 90670<br>(562) 802-7227 | \$372,069.75 |
| 2   | Terra Pave, Inc.*  | \$398,461.75 |
| 3   | All American Asphalt   | \$388,000.00 |
| 4   | Gentry Brothers, Inc.  | \$398,115.50 |
| 5   | Griffith Company   | \$414,387.50 |
| 6   | Bitech Construction Co., Inc.  | \$418,682.74 |
| 7   | PK Construction*   | \$439,997.00 |
| 8   | Excel Paving Company   | \$429,768.85 |
| 9   | Sully-Miller Contracting Company   | \$436,608.90 |
| 10  | Hardy & Harper, Inc.   | \$444,000.00 |
| 11  | Shawnan Corporation  | \$444,444.60 |

\*Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE)

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

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|---|--------------|
| Amount of estimate                                | \$440,627.00 |
| Amount of recommended contract                    | \$372,069.75 |
| Amount of recommended contract below the estimate | \$ 68,557.25 |

The amount of the recommended contract is 16 percent below the estimate.

Funding for this project is included in the Fourth Supervisorial District's Transportation Improvement Program in the Measure R Local Return Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.

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AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT  
February 2, 2016

PROJECT ID NO. SMDACO0142 – Sewer Rehabilitation Project No. 13 (in the unincorporated community of Altadena), Supervisorial District 5.

TYPE OF WORK: Cleaning, video inspection, and lining of approximately 19,473 linear feet of existing sanitary sewers and the performance of other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: October 20, 2015 (Agenda Item 25)

BID OPENING DATE: November 24, 2015

BID SUMMARY:

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|-----|---|--------------|
| Low | Nu Line Technologies, LLC<br>102 2nd Street, Suite B<br>Encinitas, California 92024<br>(760) 634-5153 | \$476,649.00 |
| 2   | Southwest Pipeline & Trenchless Corp.   | \$538,595.00 |
| 3   | Sancon Engineering, Inc.  | \$558,972.75 |

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

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| Amount of estimate                            | \$624,944.00 |
| Amount of recommended contract                | \$476,649.00 |
| Amount of recommended contract below estimate | \$148,295.00 |

The amount of the recommended contract is 24 percent below the estimate.

Funding for this project is included in the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.

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AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT  
February 2, 2016

PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010189 – Crenshaw Boulevard from Rosecrans Avenue to Crestridge Road (in the Cities of Gardena, Hawthorne, Lomita, Rolling Hills Estates, and Torrance and in the unincorporated community of El Camino Village), Supervisorial Districts 2 and 4.

TYPE OF WORK: Modification and synchronization of traffic signals and the performance of other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: October 20, 2015 ( Agenda Item 20)

BID OPENING DATE: November 17, 2015

BID SUMMARY:

|     |   |                |
|-----|---|----------------|
| Low | Elecnor Belco Electric, Inc.<br>4331 Schaefer Avenue<br>Chino, California 91710<br>(909) 993-5470 | \$1,317,835.00 |
| 2   | California Professional Engineering, Inc.*  | \$1,477,008.80 |
| 3   | Select Electric, Inc.   | \$1,458,984.67 |
| 4   | Steiny and Company, Inc.  | \$1,464,948.70 |
| 5   | MSL Electric, Inc.  | \$1,494,272.00 |
| 6   | Minco Construction  | \$1,839,701.00 |

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

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|---|----------------|
| Amount of estimate                            | \$1,504,067.00 |
| Amount of recommended contract                | \$1,317,835.00 |
| Amount of recommended contract below estimate | \$ 186,232.00  |

The amount of recommended contract is 12 percent below the estimate.

The project cost is financed with \$1,731,000 in Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the South Bay Traffic Signal Forum and \$646,000 in Proposition C Local Return match funds. The Board has established a \$2,500,000 top-of-pot allocation from the County's Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget for the Countywide Traffic Congestion Management Program.

The amount of \$646,000 is funded from this allocation. Funding for the construction of this project is included in the Proposition C Local Return Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.

| Project Funding       |               |             |
|-----------------------|---------------|-------------|
|                       | Project Costs | HTC Funds   |
| County                | \$ 551,000    | \$ 0        |
| Gardena               | \$ 659,000    | \$ 659,000  |
| Hawthorne             | \$ 162,000    | \$ 162,000  |
| Lomita                | \$ 45,000     | \$ 45,000   |
| Torrance              | \$ 867,000    | \$ 867,000  |
| Rolling Hills Estates | \$ 93,000     | \$ 93,000   |
| Total                 | \$2,377,000   | \$1,826,000 |

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AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT  
February 2, 2016

PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010328 – Lomita Boulevard at Vermont Avenue, et al. (in the City of Los Angeles and in the unincorporated community of West Carson), Supervisorial Districts 2 and 4.

TYPE OF WORK: Modification of traffic signals; construction of asphalt concrete pavement and Portland cement concrete pavement on base material, installation of striping and pavement markings, and the performance of other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: October 6, 2015 (Agenda Item 27)

BID OPENING DATE: November 3, 2015

BID SUMMARY:

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|-----|---|--------------|
| Low | California Professional Engineering, Inc.*<br>929 Otterbein Avenue, Unit E<br>La Puente, California 91748<br>(626) 810-1338 | \$373,057.00 |
| 2   | Elecnor Belco Electric, Inc.  | \$401,328.00 |

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Shawnan Corporation, Toro Enterprises, Inc., and Griffith Company submitted bids of \$305,186.85, \$354,777.11, and \$442,852.70; respectively, however, all three bidders do not possess a California Class C10 contractor's license as required by the plans and specifications. Therefore, all three bids were considered nonresponsive and rejected as provided in the Instructions to Bidders.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

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| Amount of estimate                                | \$280,992.26 |
| Amount of recommended contract                    | \$373,057.00 |
| Amount of recommended contract above the estimate | \$ 92,064.74 |

The amount of the recommended contract is 33 percent above the estimate, which was based on recent average contract prices for similar items of work. A review of the estimate indicates prices of several material items were below current market prices, and the estimate did not take into account the higher costs associated with roadway

improvement work due to the very small quantities of base material, asphalt, and concrete. While the bid price is higher than the estimate, the bids received from the responsive contractors are competitive, and readvertising the project will result in increased contract administration costs and delay construction with no guarantee that lower bids will be received. Therefore, we recommend award of the contract to the low bidder.

The project cost will be financed with \$547,000 in Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the South Bay Traffic Signal Forum, and \$137,000 in County Proposition C Local Return funds. The Board has established a \$2,500,000 top-of-pot annual allocation from the County's Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget for the Countywide Traffic Congestion Management Program. The \$137,000 will be funded from this allocation. Financing for the construction of this project is included in the Proposition C Local Return Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.

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